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H. R. 3152

To enhance the global competitiveness of the United States by increasing the participation of African Americans, Hispanic Americans, American Indians, and other underrepresented minorities in the international service, including private international voluntary organizations, the foreign commercial service, and the foreign service of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

Mr. Payne (for himself, Mr. Kildee, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Mr. Owens, Mrs. Christensen, Mr. Filner, Mr. Grijalva, and Mr. Andrews) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

To enhance the global competitiveness of the United States by increasing the participation of African Americans, Hispanic Americans, American Indians, and other underrepresented minorities in the international service, including private international voluntary organizations, the foreign commercial service, and the foreign service of the United States.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; REFERENCES.

- 2 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 3 "Ralph J. Bunche Scholarship Act".
- 4 (b) References.—Except as otherwise expressly
- 5 provided in this Act, whenever in this Act an amendment
- 6 or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or
- 7 repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall
- 8 be considered to be made to a section or other provision
- 9 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001
- 10 et seq.).

11 SEC. 2. MINORITY FOREIGN SERVICE PROFESSIONAL DE-

- 12 **VELOPMENT.**
- 13 (a) Institute for International Public Pol-
- 14 ICY.—Section 621(a) (20 U.S.C. 1131(a)) is amended by
- 15 striking the second sentence and inserting the following:
- 16 "The Institute shall conduct a program to enhance the
- 17 global competitiveness of the United States by increasing
- 18 the participation of African Americans, Hispanic Ameri-
- 19 cans, American Indians, and other underrepresented mi-
- 20 norities in the international service, including private
- 21 international voluntary organizations, the foreign commer-
- 22 cial service, and the foreign service of the United States.".
- 23 (b) MATCH REQUIREMENT.—Section 621(e) is
- 24 amended by striking "one-half" and inserting "one-third".

1 SEC. 3. RALPH J. BUNCHE SCHOLARSHIPS.

- 2 Part B of title VI is amended by inserting after sec-
- 3 tion 623 (20 U.S.C. 1131a) the following new section:

4 "SEC. 623A. RALPH J. BUNCHE SCHOLARSHIPS.

- 5 "(a) In General.—In order to assure the participa-
- 6 tion and academic success of qualified low-income, minor-
- 7 ity, and other underrepresented students, the Institute is
- 8 authorized to provide scholarships to students who dem-
- 9 onstrate special interest in international affairs and lan-
- 10 guage study, demonstrate exceptional academic ability,
- 11 and show promise of continued academic excellence and
- 12 ability.
- 13 "(b) AUTHORITY.—The Institute may provide to eli-
- 14 gible Institute fellows a scholarship, during each of the
- 15 latter two years of undergraduate study toward the bacca-
- 16 laureate degree, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for
- 17 each academic year during which the student is enrolled
- 18 as a full-time student.
- 19 "(c) Ralph J. Bunche Scholars.—Institute fel-
- 20 lows who receive scholarship assistance awarded for the
- 21 purpose of undergraduate study under this section shall
- 22 be known as 'Ralph J. Bunche Scholars'. An under-
- 23 graduate student who receives a Bunche Scholarship shall
- 24 maintain satisfactory academic progress in accordance
- 25 with section 484 (c), during each period of academic study
- 26 for which scholarship assistance is received.

- 1 "(d) Limitation.—Each student may receive a
- 2 Bunche Scholarship up to \$5,000, except that in no case
- 3 shall the total amount of financial aid awarded to such
- 4 student exceed such student's total cost of attendance.".
- 5 SEC. 4. ADVANCED DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL RELA-
- 6 TIONS AND RELATED ACADEMIC AREAS.
- 7 Section 624 (20 U.S.C. 1131b) is amended to read
- 8 as follows:
- 9 "SEC. 624. ADVANCED DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL RELA-
- 10 TIONS AND RELATED ACADEMIC AREAS.
- 11 "The Institute shall provide, in cooperation with the
- 12 other members participating in the eligible recipient con-
- 13 sortium, a program of study leading to an advanced degree
- 14 in international relations, international affairs, inter-
- 15 national economics, or other academic areas related to the
- 16 Institute fellow's career objectives. The advanced degree
- 17 study, designed by the Institute and consistent with the
- 18 fellow's career objectives, shall be reviewed and approved
- 19 by the Secretary. The Institute may grant fellowships in
- 20 an amount not to exceed the level of support comparable
- 21 to that provided by the National Science Foundation re-
- 22 search graduate fellowships, except such amount shall be
- 23 adjusted so as not to exceed the fellow's demonstrated
- 24 level of need as determined by the institution of higher
- 25 education where the fellow is enrolled. A fellowship recipi-

- 1 ent shall agree to undertake full-time study and to enter
- 2 the international service (including work with inter-
- 3 national voluntary organizations) or the foreign service of
- 4 the United States.".
- 5 SEC. 5. REPORT.
- 6 Section 626 (20 U.S.C. 1131d) is amended by strik-
- 7 ing "annually" and inserting "biennially".
- 8 SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION; INDIRECT COST LIMITATION.
- 9 Section 628 (20 U.S.C. 1131f) is amended to read
- 10 as follows:
- 11 "SEC. 628. AUTHORIZATION; INDIRECT COST LIMITATION.
- 12 "(a) AUTHORIZATION.—There is authorized to be ap-
- 13 propriated \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2005 and such
- 14 sums as may be necessary for each of the four succeeding
- 15 fiscal years to carry out this part.
- 16 "(b) Indirect Cost Limitation.—Notwithstanding
- 17 any other provision of law, the indirect cost associated
- 18 with the administration of the Institute program author-
- 19 ized under this part shall not exceed 18 percent.".

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